

Burnside Street Names and their Origins

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Wahroonga Avenue *Wattle Park*

Origin of present name

Unknown.

Probably named from the Aboriginal word meaning 'my home' or 'our home'.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Reed, A. W., *Aboriginal words and place names*, p. 225.

Wallace Street *Erindale*

Origin of present name

Named after one of the early horse-tram drivers.

The street is one of three in the locality bearing names of horse tram drivers. The others are Goyder and Jarvis.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Burnside Library, Local History Collection.

Walsall Street *Kensington Park*

Origin of present name

Named after the town of Walsall in Staffordshire, England.

James Holden emigrated from Walsall in 1852 and later lived at *Arowie* which had a 15 acre estate stretching between Holden Street and Walsall Street.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 246.

Buttfield, N., *So Great a Change: the story of the Holden family in South Australia*, p.14.

Wanbrow Avenue *Wattle Park*

Origin of present name

Unknown.

Year in which street acquired present name

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Waratah Way

Stonyfell

Origin of present name

Unknown.

Named after a genus of Australian trees or possibly named after the ship *Waratah*..

The street is one of several in the locality bearing names of Australian species of trees.

Others include *Acacia*, *Eucalypt*, *Grevillea*, *Karri* and *Kurrajong*.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Warburton Court

Beaumont

Earlier name(s) if different from present name

East Terrace.

Origin of earlier name

The eastern entrance to The Common.

Origin of present name

Named after Major Peter Egerton Warburton.

Major Warburton served for many years in India and retired from service in 1853. He came to South Australia where he became an unpopular Commissioner of Police (1853-1866), and was also involved in a number of exploration trips. He bought thirteen acres which were bounded by the north side of Beaumont Common, Penarth Avenue, Cooper Place and Vansittart Place and built a stone house *Norley Bank*.

One daughter Ethel married Bishop Augustus Short in 1871 and another daughter Mary married Rev Philip Pymar Dodd, Rector of St David's Church and Canon of St Peter's Cathedral.

Year in which street acquired present name

1960

Sources of information

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, pp. 160, 163, 164.

Warburton Street

Magill

Origin of present name

Named after Mrs Elizabeth Warburton.

Elizabeth Warburton, historian, writer and author of several historical books of the eastern suburbs of Adelaide, has been commemorated by this street which is on land that was formerly part of Norwood High School.

She is particularly remembered in the Burnside area as author of *The Paddocks Beneath* which was published in 1981 and has been the primary source of information for the origin of the street names in this publication. She also wrote *From the River to the Hills* which is the history of the adjacent Campbelltown Council area.

Year in which street acquired present name

1996

Sources of information

Private information from John Nordeli, developer of the area

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<i>Wark Lane</i>	<i>Eastwood</i>
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Earlier name(s) if different from present name

None.

Origin of earlier name

When the suburb of Eastwood was laid out this was an unnamed night cart lane running between Elizabeth Street and Main Street to service the houses on Matilda Street and Fullarton Road. The Burnside Council later decided that the lanes should have names so that they could be more easily identified.

Origin of present name

Named after John Wark (1829-1908).

John Wark was a builder who arrived in Adelaide in 1854. He purchased land in Eastwood and later built the substantial stone house *Renfrew* at 47 Glen Osmond Road. It still stands as *The Anaster Nursing Home*.

(See also *Elizabeth Street, John Street, and Main Street, Eastwood.*)

Year in which street acquired present name 1998

Sources of information

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, pp. 265, 268.

<i>Warrego Crescent</i>	<i>Linden Park</i>
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Origin of present name

Unknown.

Probably Aboriginal. It may have some connection with the Warrego River which flows through Charleville in Queensland or be derived from the Aboriginal word *warrigal* meaning 'wild dingo' or sometimes a 'wild horse'.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Reed, A. W., *Aboriginal words and place names*, p. 135.

<i>Warren Street</i>	<i>Burnside</i>
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Origin of present name

Unknown.

Possibly named after John Warren, MLC (1830-1914).

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Cockburn, Rodney, *What's in a Name*, p. 233.

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<i>Warwick Avenue</i>	<i>Toorak Gardens</i>
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Origin of present name

Unknown.

Probably named after the stately English home. Other streets in the vicinity with names associated with stately English homes are Bolingbroke Grove and Chatsworth Grove.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

<i>Waters Street</i>	<i>Kensington Park</i>
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Earlier name(s) if different from present name

Catherine Street.

Origin of earlier name

Origin of present name

Named after J. Waters.

J. Waters was a land holder in this north eastern part of Section 301 in the 1860s to 1880s having blocks facing Magill Road.

The road name is incorrectly shown as Water Street on signposts and in modern directories but is shown correctly as Waters Street in early directories.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Corporation of the City of Burnside, Rate Books, 1867-68, 1882-1883.

<i>Waterfall Gully Road</i>	<i>Beaumont, Burnside</i>
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Origin of present name

So named because of the proximity to Waterfall Gully and the waterfalls on First Creek.

Year in which street acquired present name

 1880

Sources of information

Warburton, J. W. (ed), *Five Creeks of the River Torrens*, pp. 28-31.

The First Hundred Years, p.6

<i>Waterfall Terrace</i>	<i>Burnside</i>
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Earlier name(s) if different from present name

The portion of the road east of Wyatt Road was originally Queens Avenue.

Origin of earlier name

Inspection of a map shows that the road was planned to extend up the hill and join with the current Queens Avenue.

The division of the easterly portion into two roads has made the renaming desirable.

Origin of present name

So named because of the proximity to Waterfall Gully and the waterfalls on First Creek.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Warburton, J. W. (ed), *Five Creeks of the River Torrens*, pp. 28-31.

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<i>Watson Avenue</i>	<i>Rose Park, Toorak Gardens</i>
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Origin of present name

Named after one of the auditors of the South Australian Company.

The South Australia Company owned Section 262 and when it was subdivided the suburb was named after the Chairman Sir John Rose. Other streets in the vicinity with names associated with the South Australian Company are:

Partners	Gurney, Close, Webb, Swaine
Auditors	Watson, Grant
Solicitor	Hewitt.

Year in which street acquired present name 1876

Sources of information

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 284.

<i>Wattle Court</i>	<i>Roslyn Park</i>
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Origin of present name

Unknown.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

<i>Webb Avenue</i>	<i>Glenside</i>
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Origin of present name

Named after Amos W. E. Webb.

Amos Webb, Councillor and Mayor of Burnside 1936-1938 also has Webb Oval, Glenunga named after him.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 348 (picture).

<i>Webb Street</i>	<i>Rose Park</i>
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Origin of present name

Named after Mr Geoffrey Webb, Director of the South Australian Company.

The South Australia Company owned Section 262 and when it was subdivided the suburb was named after the Chairman Sir John Rose. Other streets in the vicinity with names associated with the South Australian Company are:

Partners	Gurney, Close, Webb, Swaine
Auditors	Watson, Grant
Solicitor	Hewitt.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

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Wemyss Street

Linden Park

Origin of present name

Probably named after the location of some fierce fighting in France during World War I. There are many street names in Linden Park associated with that war.

Another, but less likely possibility, is that there could be some association with a family named Wemyss which has members buried in a multi-plot grave site St Saviour's Cemetery.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Private information from Elizabeth Gobolos.

West Terrace

Beaumont

Earlier name(s) if different from present name

West Circus.

Origin of earlier name

The plan of the subdivision of the Village of Beaumont by Sir Samuel Davenport in 1849 included a circus at each end of the Beaumont Pleasure ground (later The Common).

Origin of present name

Presumably changed when the straight road was established west of The Common rather than the circular road.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Royal Geographical Society of Australasia, South Australian Branch, *Proceedings*, vol. 50, 1948-49, p. 4.

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 150.

West Terrace

Kensington Gardens

Origin of present name

Named because it runs along the west boundary of Kensington Gardens Reserve, with East and South Terrace on two other sides.

The portion of The Parade north of Kensington Gardens was originally called North Terrace.

Year in which street acquired present name

c. 1912

Sources of information

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 237.

<i>Wheal Gawler Street</i>	<i>Glen Osmond</i>
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Origin of present name

Named after the Wheal Gawler mine.

Wheal is the Cornish for 'mine' and the Wheal Gawler was named in 1841 after Governor Gawler who was in office when two Cornish miners discovered surface galena on the Glen Osmond hillside. The galena was said to assay 10% silver and 75% lead and its discovery led to the creation of an important local mining industry. The mine was worked until 1851 when most of the miners left for the Victorian gold mines, but seldom again after that.

The road winds around the end of the valley onto the ridge to the north. There the mine can still be found above Chapman Crescent.

The mine is now on the National Heritage List because it was the first metalliferous mine in Australia.

(See also *Wheal Watkins Street, Glen Osmond.*)

Year in which street acquired present name**Sources of information**

Department of Mines brochure, *Glen Osmond Mines: A guide to the historic mines site.* Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 111.

<i>Wheal Watkins Street</i>	<i>Glen Osmond</i>
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Origin of present name

Named after the Wheal Watkins mine.

The mine accessed up this road was owned by Mr Watkins of Worthington. It was discovered in 1843 and produced ore until 1851 when most workers left for the Victorian gold mines, but seldom again after that. *Wheal* is the Cornish for 'mine'.

(See also *Wheal Gawler Street, Glen Osmond.*)

Year in which street acquired present name**Sources of information**

Department of Mines brochure, *Glen Osmond Mines: A guide to the historic mines site.* Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 111.

<i>Whitbread Street</i>	<i>Skye</i>
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Origin of present name

Unknown.

Possibly named after either:

- the yachting race *The Whitbread Cup*, or
- the famous English beer Whitbread.

Year in which street acquired present name**Sources of information**

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White Avenue

Kensington Gardens

Origin of present name

Named after Thomas H. White.

Thomas White was an early bootmaker of Magill who owned land in this area.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 245.

Whittington Avenue

Glen Osmond

Origin of present name

Named after Ernest Whittington (1875-1934).

In about 1891 the house *Woodley* and some acres passed into the hands of Horace Vernon Pridmore (1863-1907) who further developed the vineyards and winery that were already there. He died prematurely in 1907, leaving his wife Amy and two sons. Amy continued to live in the house and run the business but then married Ernest Whittington in 1912.

He was widely known as 'Rufus' of a newspaper column *Out Among the People*, and even more widely as host of a radio talk-session heard elsewhere in Australia, in New Zealand, the Pacific Islands and the Malay Archipelago.

Extensive subdivision in 1924 led to the former driveway of *Woodley* being established as Whittington Avenue with the gateway to the house, which is still standing, at the end of the road.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Cockburn, Rodney, *What's in a Name*, p. 244.

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 118.

Wigtown Walk

Toorak Gardens

Earlier name(s) if different from present name

None.

Origin of earlier name

When the suburb was laid this was an unnamed pathway. The Burnside Council later decided that the paths should have names so that they could be more easily identified.

Origin of present name

Named after the county Wigtown.

This was the county in Scotland from which the Fergusson family came to South Australia. The family occupied Monreith Farm (now Toorak Gardens) for many years.

(For further information see *Fergusson Square*.)

Year in which street acquired present name

1995

Sources of information

Corporation of the City of Burnside, Report from Manager Engineering Services to Works Committee, 21 Aug. 1995.

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 299.

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<i>Wilaroo Avenue</i>	<i>Beaumont</i>
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Origin of present name

Unknown.

Possibly named after the bird 'Bush Curlew' which is known as *willaroo* in some areas, or may be Aboriginal.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Cayley, N. W., *What Bird is That*, p. 69.

Private information from Ronda Collins of 3 The Parkway, Leabrook.

<i>Wilga Avenue</i>	<i>Kensington Gardens</i>
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Origin of present name

Possibly based on the Aboriginal word *wilga* for 'dogwood' or 'willow tree'. The adjacent street *korra* is also an Aboriginal word for the name of a tree.

See also Korra Street, Kensington Gardens.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Reed, A. W., *Aboriginal words and place names*, p. 138.

<i>Wilkinson Lane</i>	<i>Beulah Park</i>
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Origin of present name

Named after William Birkinshaw Wilkinson

William Wilkinson (1854-1927) was a Land Agent who subdivided part of Section 288 in 1914 calling it Beulah Park because it was near Beulah Road in Norwood.

(See also Beulah Road, Beulah Park.)

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Burnside Library, Local History Collection.

Cockburn, Rodney, *What's in a Name*, p.23.

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William Street

Burnside

Origin of present name

Named after William Warland.

In 1850 the land that is now bounded by Glynburn Road, High Street, Gartrell Street and Greenhill Road was bought by Henry Warland (1830-87) and used as a small farm. He subdivided the farm in 1877 creating thirty eight small allotments along High Street and two new streets which he named after his two sons. William Street was on the eastern boundary and John Street passed through the middle from east to west.

William Street originally stretched between Greenhill Road and Chisholm Avenue but has now been bisected by Burnside Primary School. The southern part has been renamed Gartrell Street, thus creating the anomaly whereby the current William Street which is north of the school does not actually pass the land that led to the establishment of that name.

There was originally a wine shanty at the bottom of John Street where the Feathers Hotel was built in 1966.

Henry Warland was also owner of the Burnside Inn and blacksmith's forge further up High Street.

Year in which street acquired present name 1877

Sources of information

Private information from Eric Warland.

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 18.

Williams Avenue

Dulwich

Earlier name(s) if different from present name

Hanover Road.

Origin of earlier name

Origin of present name

Named after Williams Grant.

Williams son Stephen Grant had a nursery garden in the nearby Cleland Avenue.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Lane, Peter, information in possession of Burnside Library Local History Collection.

Williams Crescent

Linden Park

Origin of present name

Unknown.

Possibly named after John Williams (1824-90), MP and pastoralist.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Biographical Register of the South Australian Parliament 1857-1957, p. 241.

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William Queale Court *St Georges*

Origin of present name

Named after William Queale.

William Queale bought *The Croft* which comprised house and land west of Sunnyside Road near the Dashwood Road corner in 1926. He was President of the SA Chamber of Manufacturers from 1941-44 and Chairman and founder of the SA Institute of Management.

Under the previous owner Malcolm Tweedie the estate had a sixty seven acre paddock stretching down to Portrush Road. Originally used for farming it had then been converted into an apricot orchard with a manager's house in the middle and sheds for drying and pulping the fruit. Malcolm and his brother Wyn built *The Croft* in about 1909.

(See also *Woodcroft Avenue, St Georges.*)

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, pp. 137, 138.

Willowbridge Grove *Burnside*

Origin of present name

Named by the developers as a description of the existing willow trees and a new bridge over the creek.

Year in which street acquired present name 1989

Sources of information

Mr Johnson of Township Developers.

Wilson Court *Rossllyn Park*

Origin of present name

Unknown.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

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<i>Winchester Lane</i>	<i>Rose Park</i>
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Earlier name(s) if different from present name

None.

Origin of earlier name

When the suburb of Rose Park was laid out by the South Australian Company this was an unnamed night cart lane. The Burnside Council later decided that the lanes should have names so that they could be more easily identified.

Origin of present name

Named after the ship *Winchester*.

The *Winchester* was the ship that transported William Prescott and his family to South Australia. The family occupied Prescotts Farm in this area for many years.

(For further information see *Prescott Terrace*.)

Year in which street acquired present name 1995

Sources of information

Corporation of the City of Burnside, Report from Manager Engineering Services to Works Committee, 21 Aug. 1995.

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 278.

<i>Windarra Avenue</i>	<i>Burnside</i>
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Origin of present name

An Aboriginal name connected with the Poseidon boom of the 1970s meaning 'west wind'.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Cooper, H. M., *Australian Aboriginal Words*, p. 37.

Private information from Mr C. A. Sargent (sub divider).

<i>Windmill Street</i>	<i>Skye</i>
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Origin of present name

There was a windmill near here when this land was surveyed by Lesley Chapman in about 1938.

Year in which street acquired present name c. 1938

Sources of information

Private information from Lesley Chapman via his wife Jenice Chapman.

<i>Windsor Avenue</i>	<i>Burnside</i>
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Origin of present name

Probably named *Windsor* after the family name of the English Royal family.

The road was established in the early 1950s and named to commemorate the accession to the throne of Queen Elizabeth II in 1952.

Other streets in the vicinity with names associated with the occasion are Kings Avenue, Royal Avenue and Queens Avenue.

Year in which street acquired present name 1953

Sources of information

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<i>Windsor Road</i>	<i>Glenside, Glenunga</i>
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Origin of present name

Probably named *Windsor* after the family name of the English Royal family.
(See also *Windsor Road, Burnside*.)

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

<i>Wittber Lane</i>	<i>Rose Park</i>
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Earlier name(s) if different from present name

None.

Origin of earlier name

When the suburb of Rose Park was laid out by the South Australian Company this was an unnamed night cart lane. The Burnside Council later decided that the lanes should have names so that they could be more easily identified.

Origin of present name

Named after Mr C.A. Wittber.

Mr Wittber was the first headmaster of Rose Park School, serving from 1893 to 1907.

Year in which street acquired present name

1995

Sources of information

Corporation of the City of Burnside, Report from Manager Engineering Services to Works Committee, 21 Aug. 1995.

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 278.

<i>Wood Grove</i>	<i>Hazelwood Park</i>
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Origin of present name

Named after the Wood family of *Linden*.

Peter Wood (1855-1921) became owner of *Linden* some time after the previous owner Sir Alexander Hay died in 1898. He was Chairman of the wholesale tea and grocery firm Wood Son & Co (he was the 'son') and further developed the estate with a Jersey stud, herd of deer and a nine hole golf course. A generous philanthropist, Burnside Councillor and then Chairman of the Burnside Council (1913-18) he died in 1921 and the estate passed to his son Gilbert. *Linden* was partly subdivided except for eight acres around the house, and then finally demolished and fully subdivided after the death of Gilbert and his wife Anne in 1965.

(For further information see *Dryden Avenue, Hazelwood Park and Hay Road, Linden Park*.)

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 183.

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Woodcroft Avenue *St Georges*

Origin of present name

Named after the Scottish home of Malcolm Tweedie.

Malcolm was one of the sons of David Tweedie who bought this northern half of Section 294 in about 1889. The estate of nearly 70 acres which stretched between Sunnyside Road and Portrush Road was subdivided into two separate plans in the early 1920s. The major portion was called Glenunga Gardens with Woodcroft Road one of the roads through it. The smaller portion was called Glenunga Gardens Extension and comprised the Tweedie's house and land at the Sunnyside Road end of the previous estate.

See also William Queale Court, St Georges).

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, pp. 137, 138.

Woodhouse Crescent *Wattle Park*

Origin of present name

Probably named after Henry Woodhouse Crompton.

He was the eldest son of Joseph Crompton of Stonyfell Winery and the nearby house *Stonyfell*. From the 1870s to 1978 *Stonyfell House* remained in the Crompton family and was frequented as a second home by several generations.

The extension to this road, Joseph Avenue is named after his father.

(See also Joseph Avenue, Wattle Park.)

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 55 (picture).

Woodland Way *Skye*

Origin of present name

Unknown.

One of several streets in Skye with names that are descriptive of the landscape.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

<i>Woodley Road</i>	<i>Glen Osmond</i>
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Origin of present name

Named after the house *Woodley*.

The estate bounded by Portrush Road, Gilles Road, Sunnyside Road and Gill Terrace was first owned by Osmond Gilles (1788-1866) who built his home *Glen Osmond Villa* near the top of the hill. After his death the property passed to his brother Lewis who renamed it *Woodley* in 1872 using one of his first wife's names. A large amount of the land became a winery and vineyards as well as farmland. Sixteen acres were sold in 1877 and Woodley Road established with two large houses built at the end for Charles Willmott (one time landlord of the Vine Inn) and Thomas Gill (surveyor).

See also Gill Terrace, Gilles Road, Glen Osmond Road and Vine Avenue.

Year in which street acquired present name 1877

Sources of information

Hicks, V. S., *O.G. The Colonial Treasurer*, p. 72.

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, pp. 112-116.

<i>Wootton Terrace</i>	<i>St Georges</i>
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Origin of present name

Derived from the name of the old estate *Wootton Lea*.

The southern forty acres of Section 294 had the house *Wootton Lea* built on it by Francis Faulding (1816-1868) of F.H. Faulding & Co (Chemists) in 1861. On his death the property passed to George Fowler (grocer) and the house was enlarged. For eight years between 1913 and 1921 it was owned by Arthur Crossing (1871-1952) until it was sold to the Presbyterian Girls College (now Seymour College).

During Crossing's ownership his potato paddock was subdivided and Wootton Terrace established with specifications that only first class houses were to be built on the blocks.

Year in which street acquired present name c.1916

Sources of information

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, pp. 124, 127.

<i>Wurinya Avenue</i>	<i>Stonyfell</i>
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Origin of present name

Unknown.

Probably from the Aboriginal word *wuringa* meaning a 'fish'.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Cooper, H. M., *Australian Aboriginal Words*, p. 39.

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Wyatt Road

Burnside

Origin of present name

Named after Dr William Wyatt (1805-1886).

Dr Wyatt who was also Protector of Aborigines purchased the eighty four acre Section 903 in 1843 for £120 and built his house *Kurralta*. The property extended down to the bottom of the valley where flowers and vegetables were grown alongside First Creek.

See also Kurralta Drive, Burnside.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Warburton, Elizabeth, *The Paddocks Beneath*, p. 32.

Wyfield Street

Skye, Wattle Park

Origin of present name

Unknown.

Possibly a family name or a connection with the village of Wye near Canterbury in Kent, England, but the spelling is different.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information

Wynyard Grove

Wattle Park

Origin of present name

Unknown.

Possibly some connection with the locality of the same name in Tasmania.

Year in which street acquired present name

Sources of information